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Increased County Revenue and Sound Fiscal Management Keep Carmel Property Taxes Low

The City of Carmel's County Option Income Tax (COIT) has increased above the 2007 projection of the City's Comprehensive Fiscal Plan. COIT revenue is up due to a favorable economy and sensible tax policy at the state and county level.

COIT funds represent over 50 percent of Carmel's total tax revenue. The COIT revenue returned to the City of Carmel

has increased steadily over the past three years.

"The return of these COIT funds, in spite of inflation, and strong management of City's money and spending allow Carmel's property taxes to remain low, while providing excellent city services to residents," said Mayor Jim Brainard.

The City's portion of property taxes for 2007 has been reduced slightly from last year.

City Receives 2006 "Livability Award" for Roundabouts

Visitors and residents driving throughout Carmel have experienced first hand the benefits of roundabouts. Recently, Carmel was recognized by the U.S. Conference of Mayors for its exemplary roundabout program.

When Mayor Jim Brainard witnessed the population growth and increased traffic



Roundabout at 131st Street and River Road

congestion, he began lobbying for the installation of roundabouts, promoting their proven safety records, cost savings,

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Carmel proposes more funds for a Greener City

The City of Carmel has proposed \$400,000 for the 2007 annual budget to be allocated for spending on trees. This is a 400% increase from the 2006 annual budget which appropriated \$100,000 for trees. Mayor Brainard proposed the increase of funds in order to reaffirm the city's commitment to its Urban Forestry program and respond to citizens' concerns that trees were being lost as a result of increased development in the area.

"As a city, we really strive to listen and respond to citizens' concerns. By allocating more funds in the 2007 budget, it is our way of responding to those concerns regarding the loss of trees and greenspace in Carmel," said Mayor Jim Brainard. "We are making this a top priority."

The City of Carmel currently employs two full-time Arborists in its Urban Forestry program, which is unparalleled for a city of its size in Indiana. Additionally, the Carmel Clay Parks & Recreation Department, Citizens for Greenspace (non-profit) and the City of Carmel's Urban Forestry Committee also support the City's conservation and reforestation efforts through the Arbor Day Celebration and street tree plantings.

For the past 18 years, Carmel has displayed its commitment to trees with its annual Arbor Day Celebration. Each year, 150 to 300 trees are planted as part of this celebration. This year, approximately 800 volunteers



from the community helped with the planting of 250 trees in Central Park to continue reforestation efforts within urban areas of the City.

"It is exciting to work for a community that places the value on the 'green infrastructure' of their natural resources," said City Forester Scott Brewer. "Each tree the City plants and maintains adds real dollar amounts to making Carmel such a great place to live and work, both environmentally and aesthetically."

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A Message from the Mayor

▼armel should be proud of its "City Livability Award" from the U.S. Conference of Mayors. The organization recognized the significant impact the roundabout program has had on reducing the severity of accidents, lowering emissions, saving on construction and maintenance costs and improving traffic flow.



Mayor Jim Brainard

Farmer's Market, Carmelfest, the

International Arts Festival, and the extensive bike trail system in our community are all examples of initiatives that connect neighbors and neighborhoods to each other, the parks, and other amenities in Carmel, making it more enjoyable to live and work here.

Brenwick Development, has been a prominent partner in the development of livable neighborhoods in Carmel. It recently celebrated its 30 year anniversary at the opening of Ronald Reagan Green at the Village of West Clay. This development is a great example of the New Urbanism concept Carmel has adopted.

In this issue of the newsletter, you will find exciting attractions scheduled for this year's International Arts Festival. Mark your calendars to attend on September 23 and 24 on Main Street in the Carmel Arts and Design District. I look forward to seeing you there.

As always, please feel free to call, e-mail or mail your suggestions, comments or ideas to the City. We want to hear from you.

> Sincerely, Jim Brownard Mayor Jim Brainard

"Livability Award" for Roundabouts - continued

environmental friendliness and improved traffic flow. In 1996, the City began installing roundabouts; today, it boasts 20 roundabouts throughout the community. "The numbers verify the benefits of roundabouts. The Carmel Police Department has reported a significant drop

in the seriousness of injuries and the cost of damages suffered by motorists in roundabout accidents (\$3,000 - \$3500) as opposed to right angled intersections (\$7,900 -\$14,800)," said Mayor ROUNDABOUT AHEAD Jim Brainard.

"Furthermore, motorists are burning fewer gallons of gas."

Representatives from Sister City Visit Carmel

In August, Carmel rolled out the red carpet for visitors from Kawachinangano, Japan, Carmel's sister city. On August 4th, Japanese visitors and representatives from Carmel, including Mayor Jim Brainard, met at City Hall to discuss the future course of friendship between Carmel and Kawachinagano as sister cities. "Carmel feels very fortunate to have a Sister City like Kawachinagano," said Mayor Brainard. "We look forward to building stronger relationships with Kawachinagano."

The following week, Mayor Jim Brainard presented a plaque to Akihiko Yamamoto in honor of his deceased father, the late Sadao Yamamoto, a founder of Camel's sister city relationship with Kawachinagano, Osaka, Japan. The plaque will hang permanently in Council Chambers beside the Sister City Agreement signed by the two cities in 1994.

Akihiko Yamamoto visited Carmel with his daughter Yuki. In addition to official sister city business, Akihiko Yamamoto also prepared his daughter for her extended stay in Carmel. Yuki enrolled at Carmel High School this fall as an exchange student for the entire 2006-2007 school year.



(I to r): Hiroo Saito, Deputy Mayor of Kawachinagano Susumu Fuji, and Katsunori Egawa met with Carmel Mayor Brainard and Sister City organization members to discuss building stronger relations between the two cities.



(I to r): Carmel City Council President Rick Sharp, Carmel High School Exchange Student from Kawachinagano Yuki Yamamoto, Yuki's father Akihiko Yamamoto and Mayor Jim Brainard pose with the plaque the City of Carmel presented to Akihiko. The plague honored Akihiko's deceased father, Sadao Yamamoto, for founding Carmel's sister city relationship with Kawachinagano.

"The cultural exchanges between students from Carmel and Kawachinagano are vitally important to our sister city relationship," said Mayor Brainard. "It is our hope that the children from both cities will grow an appreciation for each other's countries because of friendships they have forged in these exchanges."

The goal is to eventually have citizens of all walks participate in exchange opportunities to develop a stronger appreciation and understanding of the two cultures.

In a letter of gratitude to Mayor Brainard, Akihiko Yamamoto wrote, "I heard a lot about how wonderful your city is, but when I actually visited your place, I was overwhelmed by how beautiful your cityscape actually is. I am impressed you have made use of the idea of community building and urban development we once discussed when you visited our city...we are honored if you took anything from us by your ability to get things done."

City Department News

Indianapolis Water Customers Switch to Carmel Utilities

This summer, Indianapolis Department of Waterworks sold its assets in Carmel and Clay Township to Carmel. While these new customers will keep their current Indianapolis Water utility rate for five years, they will be able to avoid the 32 percent rate increase proposed by Indianapolis. On average, Carmel's water rates are about 50 percent lower than Indianapolis' rates. In addition, Carmel's rates have not been raised in the past 13 years.

While all these new cus-

tomers in Carmel and Clay Township are now receiving from Carmel Utilities services such as billing, meter reading, repairing leaks and water main breaks, it will take about five



vears for this entire area to have access to Carmel's water. Some will start receiving Carmel water by the end of September. After some changes and improvements to the infrastructure acquired from Indianapolis, customers will be phased in to receiving Carmel's high quality water from underground aguifers. Carmel's water is softened at the treatment plant before it reaches end users. By contrast, the majority of Indianapolis' water comes from the White River and is not

softened prior to delivery from the treatment plant.

This sale affects 8400 meters or approximately 23,000 customers in Carmel and Clay Township. The purchase price of \$36.2 million dollars will be paid over a period of 20 years. For more information, contact Carmel Utilities at 317-571-2442.



Anker, Worrell Accept Appointment to Carmel Redevelopment Commission

Carolyn E. Anker and Jeff Worrell were recently appointed to the Carmel Redevelopment Commission (CRC) by Mayor Jim Brainard. Anker has worked at Eli Lilly and Company since 1991. She joined Lilly's Global Privacy Office in 2004, becoming a published expert and a speaker on appropriate handling of human resource-related personal information. Anker has served the local community in a variety of leadership roles, including involvement in Methodist Hospital Task Core, The Richard G. Lugar Excellence Series, United Way of Central Indiana, Indiana Repertory Theatre, Meridian Street United Methodist Church and the Republican Party.



"Carolyn's ability to juggle her extensive professional responsibilities with her involvement in the community is impressive," noted Mayor Jim Brainard. The CRC is responsible

for overseeing the City's redevelopment projects. Anker replaces Jerry Heniser, who has relocated as a result of a job promotion.

Jeff Worrell Joins CRC

There are few persons more involved in the community than Worrell. "Jeff has been such an active member in our community and truly understands the vision for this City," said Mayor Brainard.

Worrell is owner of Advantage Medical Rehab Equipment and Supply, and CEO of the National Medical Alliance. He currently serves on boards of the Carmel Clay Chamber of Commerce, The



Carolyn E. Anker



Jeff Worrell

Carmel International Arts Festival and Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church. In addition, he serves on the Carmelfest Committee, Carmel Rotary Club and he was a former member of the Carmel Clay Board of Parks and Recreation.

Perhaps his most visible

role is as the co-host of "Connecting Carmel," the monthly magazine show on the Carmel Government Access Channel 16. Last year, he received the city's "Most Valuable Volunteer" award from Carmel Clav Chamber Commerce for his extensive service to the community.

Carmel Government

Carmel Recognized as a Sterling Tree City USA



Carmel has achieved the Sterling Tree City USA designation in honor of the City's participation in the Tree City USA Growth Awards for the past 10 years. The honor was given to the City by the National Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the Indiana Division of Forestry and the USDA Forest Service, along with its recognition as being a 2006 Tree City USA.

Carmel's participation in the program has led to improvements in the areas of community forestry education and public relations, tree planning, manage-

ment and

urban forestry partnerships. "We appreciate being recognized for our focus as a community on expanding and improving our city's natural resources," said Mayor Jim Brainard. "Our trees definitely contribute to the beauty of TREE CITY USA° the city as well as the overall quality of life here."

126th and Illinois Street Roundabout "Hyperfix" Completed Ahead of Schedule

On August 30, the 126th and Illinois Street roundabout was open for the morning commute ahead of the projected schedule. Because the City closed the intersection to traffic in order to do a "hyperfix," the roundabout was installed in less than 35 days and under budget.

The City encourages road projects to be finished quickly by offering incentives for early completion and penalties for projects that are late. The 126th and Illinois Street roundabout construction was a joint venture. American Consulting Engineers designed and inspected the roundabout, and E&B Paving and Gradex, Inc built it.

"While road closures are temporarily inconvenient, completing road construction projects more quickly and less expensively benefits the entire community in the long run," said Mayor Jim Brainard. "We



are especially pleased that the contractors working on the 126th and Illinois Street roundabout were able to complete the project ahead of the 'hyperfix' deadline."

Carmel Goes Red

The Heart Center of Indiana and the Carmel Arts and Design District partnered to sponsor the "Carmel Goes Red" Inaugural Celebration on Saturday, July 22. The celebration was part of Go Red for Women, a nationwide movement celebrating the energy, passion and power women have to band together and wipe out heart disease.

The event featured live entertainment. heart health screenings, red wine, kid's activities, food vendors, red cars and more. Visitors strolled through the Arts and Design District, enjoying the sidewalk displays of the local vendors and the information tables set up to educate

women about heart disease.

"Heart disease is the number one killer of women in the United States," noted Mayor Brainard. "This event was a way to raise awareness of the risk and preventions available to women in our community."



Visitors to the "Carmel Goes Red" celebration held in the Arts and Design District viewed displays by local vendors and informational booths about women and heart disease.

City Department News

Carmel's Trail System Creates **Even More Connectivity**

A recent grant awarded to Carmel will provide a valuable connection to many popular and prominent attractions. The City will receive \$496,000 in Transportation Enhancement funds for the design and construction of the Cool Creek North Trail High School Spur. Part of the extension will include the rehab and relocation of the Randolph County Bridge #117.

The historic bridge will be located across Cool Creek where an inter-urban railroad bridge previously existed. This part of the trail will be handled separately from the development of the main portion of the Cool Creek North Trail, which has been funded as part of the 2006 bond issue.

The Cool Creek North Trail High School Extension is a 3500 foot long section of multiuse trail that will connect the Cool Creek North Trail to Carmel High School, the Carmel High School Football Stadium. The Carmel Public

Library and The Carmel Arts and Design District.

Construction of the High School Extension will begin in the spring

of 2007. "This historic bridge will become an essential part of the trail and community centerpiece," said Mayor Jim Brainard. "We are excited to have the opportunity to build a trail that will connect the community to the heart of the City."

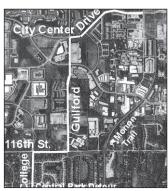
Monon Trail Tunnel Under 116th Street

Trail users won't have to wait for traffic on 116th Street after a new tunnel is added under the street. While the tunnel is under construction, Monon traffic will be rerouted. The alternate Monon route will use the current Central Park detour and at the northwest corner of Central Park, cross College Avenue and run along the west side of College Avenue to 116th Street, east on 116th Street to

Tunnel is constructed on the Monon Trail under 116th Street, allowing pedestrians and bikers to travel the trail without stopping for traffic.

Guilford Road, run along the west side of Guilford Road and turn east on City Center Drive. The trail will reconnect with the Monon at City Center Drive and 3rd Ave. SW near Carmel Cycling and Fitness.

"We are very excited about these enhancements," said Mayor Jim Brainard. "The Cool Creek North Trail Extension and the Monon Trail tunnel under 116th Street will increase the trail connectivity of our city for bikers, runners and walkers.



Map of Detour



Halloween Safety Tips:

Following a few safety tips will ensure Halloween will be a "howling" good time for all.

- Turn on exterior lights to welcome trick-or-treaters to your home
- Make sure costumes are flame-retardant and sized to fit the child
- Put reflective tape on costumes
- Report any suspicious or criminal activity to Carmel Police
- Use make-up instead of masks. Masks can obstruct children's
- An adult should accompany younger children
- Drive slowly all evening
- Go out in daylight and carry a flashlight in case of delay
- Stay within the neighborhood and only visit homes you know
- Keep costumed children away from pets. The pets may not recognize the child and become frightened
- Only give and accept wrapped candy and examine all candy before allowing the children to eat it



9th Annual Carmel International Arts Festival



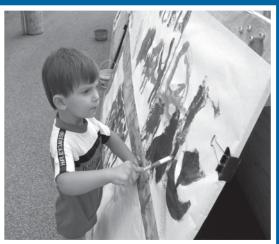


Please join the Carmel International Arts Festival's "Celebration of the Arts" in the Carmel Arts and Design District on Main Street in Old Town

> Saturday, September 23, 2006 10 a.m. - 8 p.m.

Sunday, September 24, 2006 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Location: Main Street in Old Town Carmel



Schedule of Events

Saturday, September 23

10 a.m. Opening of Festival

11 a.m. International Dance Ensemble (formerly Festive Folk)

12 p.m. Circle City Cloggers

1 p.m. Indy Chinese Performing Arts

2 p.m. Mama Mia

3 p.m. Lathan & Lathan

4 - 6 p.m. Maple Trio

6 - 8 p.m. Blue Print

Sunday, September 24

11 a.m. Opening of Festival

12 p.m. Minyo Club of Indianapolis

1 p.m. Magic of C. R. Ryan

2 p.m. Dave Hepler

3 p.m. Actors Theatre of Indiana

sings Cole Porter

4 p.m. Alair



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New Public Art Piece in Carmel Arts & Design District

Check out a beautiful mural created by Carmel High School art students in the Arts and Design District. Painted on the west side of the Carmel Antique Mall next to the World's Smallest Children's Art Gallery, the mural depicts a city skyline with piano keys as the top of the buildings as well as various Carmel landmarks. "This is the second mural our local art students have created in the District," said Mayor Jim Brainard. "I am proud to showcase their talent in our community."

Community Events

New Merchant Joins Arts & Design District



Record Number of Artists to Display at **International Arts Festival**

Visitors to the International Arts Festival on September 23 and 24 can view works of 125 exhibitors at the event to be held on Main Street in Carmel's Arts and Design District. Many talented artists from around the world will be showing their work at this event. Three Japanese artists will attend the festival and exhibit their art at Grosser and Company. In addition, there will be entertainment, food vendors, and children's activities for the enjoyment of the whole family.

"The International Arts Festival showcases talented artists from around the world." said Mayor Jim Brainard. "It's a wonderful opportunity to enjoy many different art forms. It all

takes place in our growing Arts and Design district, an area centered on the arts and a key component in making our city a desirable place to live, work and raise and family."

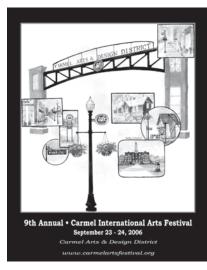
Betty Boyle Wins Poster Design Contest

Betty C. Boyle, a nineyear exhibitor in Carmel's International Arts Festival and a renowned local artist. designed the 2006 poster for the festival.

A native of New York, Betty C. Boyle was a commercial artist for five years before taking time out to raise her family of 10 children. During the years, her interests in the fine arts developed, and she began

exhibiting in the Chicago area where she lived at the time. In 1968, she and her family moved to Indianapolis where she continued to exhibit and teach art classes. For three years, she was a watercolor artist at the Metropolitan Arts Council of Indianapolis.

Working with oil and watercolor, Betty is a signature artist of both the Kentucky Water Color Society and the Watercolor Society of Indiana. Her works are exhibited in Marblehead, MA, Carmel, Zionsville and Columbus, IN. Betty has a studio and gallery in Indianapolis.



2006 International Arts Festival Poster

City Department News

Brenwick Development Celebrates 30 years

Brenwick Development has been a key partner in Carmel's growth and development over the years. Recently, Brenwick celebrated its 30th Anniversary and the opening of the Ronald Reagan Green, just north of 126th Street on Towne Road at the Village of West Clay. At the event, Carmel City Councilman Ron Carter presented Brenwick Development Chairman Tom Charles Huston and Brenwick **Development President and** CEO George Sweet with a City Proclamation honoring their contributions to the community.

Brenwick's contributions to the community include: 14 communities in

- Carmel
- Nearly 2500 developed lots

- Another 1700 lots in development at the Village of West Clay
- Installed Carmel's first roundabout at River Road and Prairie View
- Instrumental in establishing the Clay Township Regional Waste District, making the development along the 126th Street and the Meridian Corridor possible
- Developed an abandoned stone quarry into a beautiful neighborhood on the east side of Carmel, called Waterstone
- Brought to Carmel the first traditional neighborhood development in the Midwest, the Village of West Clay



Carmel City Councilman Ron Carter presented a City of Carmel Proclamation and congratulated the founders of Brenwick Development on its 30 year anniversary.

(I to r): Brenwick Development Chairman Tom Charles Huston and his wife, Brenda Huston; Noblesville Mayor John Ditslear; and Brenwick Development President and CEO George Sweet and his wife, Jane Sweet.

Representatives and leadership from the communities of Noblesville and Zionsville were also present to honor Brenwick's rich history in their communities. "Brenwick Development has always been at the forefront of new development in Carmel," said Mayor Jim Brainard. "They have been

outstanding partners to our city, and their contributions have greatly benefited our area. Their innovative designs have exemplified the urban design initiative of Carmel and new urbanism. We are proud to honor them on this occasion for their outstanding achievements over the last 30 years."

Mayor Brainard Invited to Official Dinner at Whitehouse



(I to r): Mayor Brainard, the First Lady, Laura Bush, Japan's Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi, President Bush and Mayor Brainard's wife, Liz, dined at the White House in June.

Mayor Brainard and his wife Liz dined with President Bush and the First Lady, Laura Bush and Japan's Prime Minister Junichiro Koizumi at an official dinner at the White House in June.

This dinner was the third official black-tie dinner President and Mrs. Bush have hosted. Mayor Brainard and his wife were two of 134 guests, including Vice President Cheney, baseball legend Hank

Aaron, Olympic figure skater, Kristi Yamaguchi, and Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia.

The dinner was held in the State Dining Room and was prepared by White House chef Cris Comerford. "Liz and I were honored to be invited to an official White House dinner," said Mayor Jim Brainard. "We enjoyed talking with Prime Minister Koizumi and other dignitaries attending the dinner."

Of Interest

Friends of the Library Call for Gently Used Books

The Friends of the Library Bookstore, located in the Carmel Clay Public Library, accepts donations of gently used books, videos, CDs, DVDs, records, cassettes, audio books and children's books at any time. While the bookstore sells a wide variety of books for all ages, children's books are the top seller, especially hard cover picture books for young children.

The bookstore is operated by the Friends of the Carmel Clay Library, a not-for-profit organization made up of people who support the library financially and through volunteer opportunities. All proceeds go directly to the Carmel Clay Public Library. For more information about the Friends organization or the bookstore, call 571-4292.



Photo by Bill Kennedy

Carmelfest Concludes with a Bang

By all accounts Carmelfest was another huge success this year. Guests enjoyed live entertainment, a parade, food vendors, arts and crafts demonstrations and camaraderie with friends and neighbors. Crowds gathered at City Hall to view the spectacular fireworks celebration—the grand finale of the fun-filled festival. "Carmelfest is a wonderful tradition in our community," said Mayor Jim Brainard. "I am grateful to all the volunteers who work tirelessly to make this festival such a huge success."

Second Annual Guilded Leaf Book Author **Luncheon to benefit Carmel Clay Library**







Scenes from the First Annual Guilded Leaf Book & Author Luncheon, October 2005.

Mark your calendars to attend The Guild of the Carmel Clay Library Foundation's second annual Guilded Leaf Book and Author Luncheon on Thursday, October 26 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at the Ritz Charles in Carmel.

This year's featured author is Richard Paul Evans, author of the Christmas Box and 11 other New York Times bestsellers. Evans has written both fiction and non-fiction books and is the recipient of an Emmy Award for the CBS television

movie based on Christmas Box. Three other guests will join Evans at the luncheon. Beth Gutcheon, author of six acclaimed novels, including Leeway Cottage and Five Fortunes. Ralph McInerny, author of the well known Father Dowling mysteries. James Alexander Thorn and his wife, Dark Rain, will also be a guest at the luncheon. He is a master of historical fiction who has brought Native American figures to life.

The event is an annual

fundraising event that supports the Carmel Clay Library. It will be presented jointly with the Care Group and The

Heart Center of Indiana. Indianapolis Woman is the media sponsor, while University High School is the author sponsor and IceMiller a supporting sponsor.

The event will be moderated by Jeanine (Andy) Murphy, author, marketer, literary agent

For more information, visit the **Carmel Clay Public Library** Foundation Guild website at www.carmel.lib.in.us/foundation.

> and co-founder of the WriteStuff Writer's conference, a nationally recognized program of support for budding authors.

Tickets are \$60 each and \$1,000 for corporate tables of 10. Reservations may be made by calling 814-3905.

Carmel Clay Parks Seeking Corporate Partners

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Is your company looking for better visibility and more customers? Carmel Clay Parks and Recreation is the ideal partner to help you achieve your company's marketing goals! Corporate partner and sponsorship packages for Central Park and the Monon Center are available. For details, contact Sue Maki, Resource Development at 571-2486 or smaki@carmel.in.gov. Information is also available on the Carmel Clay Parks and Recreation website at www.carmelclayparks.com.

Thanks to our 2006 corporate sponsors! We appreciate your contributions and continued support!

Carmel Cycling and Fitness, Arbor Day Chipotle, Tour de Carmel Cinergy, Arbor Day DeTrude & Company, General support FC Tucker-Gina Lee, Arbor Day Foresters, Movies in the Park & Shakespeare in the Park Gelato da Vinci, Tour de Carmel Indy Sports Chiropractic, Tour de Carmel Irwin Union Bank, Arbor Day JFNew, Arbor Day JJR, Arbor Day

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ABC Television Rolls out the **Red Carpet in** West Park

ABC Television Network, RTV6, WFMS and Carmel Clay Parks and Recreation rolled out the red carpet in West Park on August 25. The "Red Carpet Screening" was one of only 10 such events to be held across the nation. The highlights of the evening for those who attended included a walk down the red carpet and an exclusive first look at two new shows coming to ABC this fall, "Ugly Betty" and "Men in Trees." Families were also invited to audition for ABC's hit reality show, "Supernanny."



RTV6 reporter Stephanie Soviar encourages young visitor to share her thoughts about "Red Carpet Screening."

Baby takes first steps on the red carpet.



Stephanie Soviar and Ray Cortopassi were on site reporting for RTV6.



RTV6 reporter Stephanie Soviar interviews family who attended the free "Red Carpet Screening."



What's Happening At the **Carmel Clay Public Library**

Mark your Calendar!! All events listed are free of charge and are held at the Carmel Clay Public Library.

Family Films

When: Tuesday, September 26 Time: 10-10:30 a.m. or 1-1:30 p.m.

Where: Storvtime Room

When: Wednesday, September 27

10-10:30 a.m. or 1- 1:30 p.m. or 7-7:30 p.m. Time:

Where: Storytime Room

We will watch Chicken Little, Gingerbread Man, and Harold's Fairy Tale.

Programs for Teens

Mother-Daughter Book Club (Girls in grades 6-8)

Thursday, September 21 When:

Time: 7-8 p.m. Program Room Where:

Book discussion group for girls and their mothers or aunts, grandmothers, etc. Join us for dessert and a fun hour of spirited discussion! In September, we will discuss Boston Jane: an Adventure by Jennifer Holm. Space is limited, so please register at the Young Adult desk or call 814-3983.

Graphic Novel Discussion Group (Grades 6 - 12)

When: Thursday, September 28;

6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Time: Where: Program Room

Come talk about your favorite American and Japanese graphic novels. Registration not required - just drop in or call 814-3983 for more information.

Community Events

Carmel Clay Historical Society Holiday Bazaar

The Carmel Clay Historical Society's 30th Annual Holiday Bazaar will take place on Saturday, October 21st from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Carmel High School Freshman Center at 520 E. Main Street. Please note this is a new location. Admission is \$3 and there is plenty of parking.

Over 150 vendors from across the Midwest displaying their hand-crafted items for sale. Proceeds benefit the Carmel Clay Historical Society's museum, programs and services to the community.

More information can be found on the Historical Society's website at www.carmelclayhistory.org.

Holiday on the Square

Join the festivities when the Mayor turns on the Holiday lights on the Square. Saturday, November 18

Holiday in the Arts & Design District

Arts & Design district vendors display their wares for Holiday shopping. Saturday, December 2

Carmel's Veterans' Day Ceremony

Friday, November 10 at Noon Location: Carmel Fire headquarters



MCAxe and the Firecrew & Kasey

Carmel Public Safety Day Offers Learning and **Fun for All Ages**

Do you know how to use your fire extinguisher? Are you sure your child's car seat is correctly installed in your car? Attend Carmel's Public Safety Day on Saturday, October 7 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in south parking lot of St. Vincent Carmel Hospital and learn vital health and safety information. Various Carmel City departments and private organizations will provide presentations, displays and kids' activities.

Kids can enjoy the Carmel Fire Department equipment on display. In addition, visitors can learn about family fire escape plans, when to use 911, assembling a disaster kit, bicycle and pedestrian safety, drinking water safety, public safety helicopters and other vital health and safety information.

Safety Day Sat. October 7 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Join the fun, and bring the family!

Upcoming 2006 Meetings

City Council Meeting Dates

The City Council meets on the first and third Mondays of the month at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall

October 2 & 16 November 6 & 20

Board of Public Works & Safety Meetings

The Board of Public Works meets the first and third Wednesdays of the month at 10 a.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall

October 4 & 18 November 1 & 15

Watch City Council meetings live on Channel 16. Channel 21 replays City Council meetings every Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Check the City of Carmel website at www.carmel.in.gov for events, traffic updates and news.

City Hall will be closed on Monday, November 13 for Veteran's Day

Carmel Trick or Treat Hours Tuesday, October 31 from 5-8 p.m.

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